

Coordinator and Lecturer Profile (Education in Japan, 2024 Sophia Summer Session)

Coordinator

Shinichi Aizawa (相澤真一) is a professor at the Department of Education in Sophia University. His research focuses on secondary education, social equality, and development from a comparative and historical sociological view. He edits *High School for all in East Asia* (Routledge 2019) with Mei Kagawa, and Jeremy Rappleye. His work has been published in *International Sociology*, and *Educational Studies in Japan*.



Lecturer



Sachiko Horiguchi (堀口佐知子) is Professor of Anthropology at Temple University, Japan Campus. Her research interests lie at the intersections of sociocultural and medical anthropology of Japan. She has examined mental health, social welfare, education, and medicine/health care in contemporary Japan. Her specific topics of focus include hikikomori (youth social withdrawal) and school non-attendance in Japan, as well as globalization of Japanese higher education.

Ayaka Nakano (中野綾香) is a JSPS Postdoctoral Fellow at Sophia University. She received a Ph.D. in Education at the University of Tokyo in 2023. Her research aims to understand how to ensure educational equity for all children through creating sustainable and inclusive public education. She currently focuses on issues such as inclusion/exclusion in educational activities, involvement of diverse actors in public schools, and caring for children through collaborative networks.



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